

IN THE ABSTRACT

✓ On page 11, line 1, delete "ABSTRACT" and insert therefor

--ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE--.

✓ On page 11, line 3, delete ", said system comprising" and insert therefor --includes a--.

✓ On page 11, line 3, delete "fixing means" and insert therefor --a fixing element--.

✓ On page 11, lines 4-5, delete "fixing means" and insert therefor --fixing element--.

REMARKS

The present Preliminary Amendment has been entered for the purpose of placing the application into a more proper U.S. format. In particular, certain grammatical and idiomatic inconsistencies have been corrected by amendment to the specification.

The specification has been amended so as to add the proper headings before the various sections of the application.

The claims have been amended to conform with U.S. format requirements. The claims have also been amended so as to remove multiple dependencies throughout.

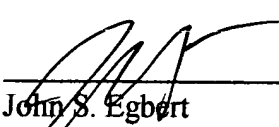
The Abstract has been amended so as to conform with U.S. requirements.

Applicant respectfully requests that the present Amendment be entered prior to an initial Official Action on the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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